

**Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A method for controlling a hardware circuit with a processor, the processor used for executing a program code to control the hardware circuit, the program code comprising:

- 5       a plurality of lower-level subroutines, wherein after the processor executes various lower-level subroutines, the hardware circuit will be controlled to execute various corresponding operations, and each lower-level subroutine will record results, which come from the hardware circuit executing the corresponding operations, in an error code; wherein each result corresponds to a recovery operation;
- 10       a plurality of higher-level subroutines, each higher-level subroutine used for calling at least a lower-level subroutine to control the hardware circuit to execute operations corresponding to the lower-level subroutine according to the called lower-level subroutine when the processor executes ~~the~~ a higher-level subroutine of the plurality of higher-level subroutines;
- 15       a plurality of recovery subroutines, each recovery subroutine corresponding to a recovery operations for controlling the hardware circuit to execute various corresponding recovery operations, after the processor executes various recovery subroutines; and
- 20       an error-handling subroutine for calling the recovery subroutines according to the error code;
- the method comprising:
- after the processor executes the higher-level subroutine[[s]], executing the error-handling subroutine to allow the processor to control the hardware circuit to execute the corresponding recovery operations according to the results
- 25       corresponding to the lower-level subroutines.

2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein when the processor executes the error-handling subroutine after the higher-level subroutines are executed, the

processor will not execute the recovery operations corresponding to the lower-level subroutine until the higher-level subroutines are finished.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the higher-level subroutines won't call  
5 each other so that a next higher-level subroutine will not be executed until the processor finishes executing a previous higher-level subroutine.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the hardware circuit is a servo module of  
an optical storage drive, the servo module comprising:  
10 a motor for driving an optical disk to rotate; and  
a pick-up head for generating a laser incident on the optical disk.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the hardware circuit is an interface  
module of an optical storage drive.  
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6. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the error code is a global  
variable of the program code; the operation results corresponding to the lower-level  
subroutines will be recorded in the same error code.
- 20 7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the program code further  
comprises a plurality of next-level subroutines; when the processor executes various  
next-level subroutines, the hardware circuit is controlled to execute corresponding  
operations; each next-level subroutine will record operation results corresponding to the  
hardware circuit in a second error code; each lower-level subroutine is used for calling at  
25 least a next-level subroutine so that the processor sequentially executes the next-level  
subroutines of the lower-level subroutines to control the hardware circuit to execute  
corresponding operations when executing the lower-level subroutines.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the next-level subroutines of each lower-level subroutine record corresponding operation results in the same second error code.
- 5 9. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the second error code is a column of the error code.
10. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the next-level subroutines record corresponding operation results in the same second error code.
- 10 11. (Canceled)
12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the lower-level subroutines won't call each other so that a next lower-level subroutine will not be executed until the processor
- 15 finishes executing a previous lower-level subroutine.
13. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the lower-level subroutines won't call the higher-level subroutines.
- 20 14. (Currently amended) An electronic device, comprising:  
a hardware circuit for achieving operations of the electronic device;  
a processor for executing a program code to control the hardware circuit;  
a storage device for storing the program code; wherein the program code comprises:  
a plurality of lower-level subroutines, wherein after the processor executes various
- 25 lower-level subroutines, the hardware circuit will be controlled to execute various corresponding operations, and each lower-level subroutine will record results, which come from the hardware circuit executing the corresponding operations, in an error code; wherein each result corresponds to a recovery

operation;  
a plurality of higher-level subroutines, each higher-level subroutine used for  
calling at least a lower-level subroutine to control the hardware circuit to  
execute operations corresponding to the lower-level subroutine according to the  
5 called lower-level subroutine when the processor executes ~~the~~ a higher-level  
subroutine of the plurality of higher-level subroutines;  
a plurality of recovery subroutines, each recovery subroutine corresponding to a  
recovery operations for controlling the hardware circuit to execute various  
corresponding recovery operations, after the processor executes various  
10 recovery subroutines; and  
an error-handling subroutine for calling the recovery subroutines according to the  
error code;  
wherein after executing the higher-level subroutine[[s]], the processor executes the  
error-handling subroutine to allow the processor to control the hardware circuit to  
15 execute the corresponding recovery operations according to the results corresponding  
to the lower-level subroutines.

15. (Previously presented) The electronic device of claim 14, wherein when the  
processor executes the error-handling subroutine after the higher-level subroutines are  
20 executed, the processor will not execute the recovery operations corresponding to the  
lower-level subroutine until the higher-level subroutines are finished.

16. (Original) The electronic device of claim 14, wherein the higher-level subroutines  
won't call each other so that a next higher-level subroutine will not be executed until the  
25 processor finishes executing a previous higher-level subroutine.

17. (Original) The electronic device of claim 14 being an optical storage drive, the  
hardware circuit comprising a servo module, which comprising:

a motor for driving an optical disk to rotate; and  
a pick-up head for generating a laser incident on the optical disk.

18. (Original) The electronic device of claim 14 being an optical storage drive, the  
5 hardware circuit being an interface module of the optical storage drive.

19. (Currently amended) The electronic device of claim 14, wherein the error code is a  
global variable of the program code; the operation results corresponding to the  
lower-level subroutines will be recorded in the same error code.

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20. (Currently amended) The electronic device of claim 14, wherein the program code  
further comprises a plurality of next-level subroutines; when the processor executes  
various next-level subroutines, the hardware circuit is controlled to execute corresponding  
operations; each next-level subroutine will record operation results corresponding to the  
15 hardware circuit in a second error code; each lower-level subroutine is used for calling at  
least a next-level subroutine so that the processor sequentially executes the next-level  
subroutines of the lower-level subroutines to control the hardware circuit to execute  
corresponding operations when executing the lower-level subroutines.

20 21. (Original) The electronic device of claim 20, wherein the next-level subroutines of  
each lower-level subroutine record corresponding operation results in the same second  
error code.

22. (Original) The electronic device of claim 20, wherein the second error code is a  
25 column of the error code.

23. (Original) The electronic device of claim 20, wherein the next-level subroutines  
record corresponding operation results in the same second error code.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Original) The electronic device of claim 14, wherein the lower-level subroutines  
5 won't call each other so that a next lower-level subroutine will not be executed until the  
processor finishes executing a previous lower-level subroutine.

26. (Original) The electronic device of claim 14, wherein the lower-level subroutines  
won't call the higher-level subroutines.